

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title:	METHOD OF DETECTING THROMBOSIS BY MEASURING VON WILLENBRAND FACTOR-CLEAVING PROTEASE		

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This is a Response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on January 5, 2011, in connection with the above-identified U.S. patent application. The period for response, without extension, expires on April 5, 2011. Therefore, this Response is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.